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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Staaken Airfield

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25X1X EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

25X DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 28 May 1951

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

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REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. Transports landed at Staaken airfield throughout the night of 25 April 1951. Between 8 and 11 p.m., 32 planes were counted. All had landing lights. On the morning of 26 April, no transports were seen at the field. A VP man said that the soldiers who had arrived at the field by truck left on the transports.
2. On 26 April, 11 of the single-engine ground attack aircraft stationed at the field took off at about 11 a.m. The planes made local flights until 5:30 p.m. Some had their landing gears extended. No colors or tactical symbols were seen on the aircraft. (2)
3. Local residents stated that funeral parades were held at the Staaken and Doehritz airfields during the preceding week. Several aircraft stationed at the Doehritz airfield had allegedly crashed in the Jueterbog area. (3)

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25X1A [REDACTED] Comments.

- (1) A similar occurrence was reported by the same source in December 1950. See [REDACTED]
- (2) The aircraft observed probably are IL-LOs which belong to the ground attack regiment stationed in Staaken.
- (3) On 14 April 1951, 16 ground attack planes crashed in the Jueterbog-Luckau area. The planes probably belonged to the regiment stationed in Schoenwalde. See [REDACTED]. It is possible that some aircraft of the ground attacks regiments stationed at the Doehritz and Staaken airfields also crashed.

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